

## **VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL**

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Paul L. Maxwell, Treasurer Peckinpaugh for Congress PO Box 615 Essex, CT 06424

**RE:** MUR 6457

Dear Mr. Maxwell:

On March 1, 2011, the Federal Election Commission ("Commission") notified you of a complaint filed against Janet Peckinpaugh and Peckinpaugh for Congress and you, as treasurer, alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("Act"). On September 21, 2011 based upon the information contained in the complaint, and information provided by you, the Commission decided to dismiss the complaint and close its file in this matter.

The Commission encourages the Committee and you to review the General Counsel's Report, which sets forth the statutory and regulatory provisions considered by the Commission in this matter. A copy of the dispositive General Counsel's Report is enclosed for your information and future reference. The Commission reminds the Committee and you to take steps to ensure that your conduct is in compliance with 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(8) and 11 C.F.R. §§ 104.3(d) and 104.11(a), concerning the requirement that authorized candidate committees report debta and obligations under Schedule D and that before you negotiate with the Committee's vendors concerning the settlement of its debts a debt settlement plan is submitted to the Commission, pursuant to 11 C.F.R. §§ 116.1(b),116.2(c), and 116.7. For further information on the Act and Commission regulations, please refer to the Commission's website at <a href="https://www.fec.gov">www.fec.gov</a> or contact the Commission's Public Information Division at (202) 694-1100 or your Reports Analysis Division analyst at (202) 694-1130.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003).

If you have any questions, please contact Joshua Smith, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Anthony Herman

General Counsel

BY:

Supervisory Attorney Complaints Examination and

Legal Administration

**Enclosure** 

General Counsel's Report